

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-276-C - ORDER NO. 2005-672

NOVEMBER 14, 2005

IN RE: Petition of MCImetro Access Transmission)	ORDER GRANTING
Services, LLC for Arbitration of Certain)	ADMISSION PRO HAC
Terms and Conditions of Proposed)	VICE
Agreement with BellSouth)	
Telecommunications, Inc. Concerning)	
Interconnection and Resale Under the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of Patrick W. Turner, Esquire, for Admission of James Meza, III, Esquire, to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. Mr. Turner petitions for James Meza, III to appear before the Commission as counsel for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) in the hearing for Docket No. 2005-276-C regarding arbitration of terms and conditions of proposed agreement between MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC and BellSouth.

Mr. Meza serves as in-house counsel for BellSouth's office located at 675 West Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, and is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Louisiana, according to the certificate attached to the application. Local counsel of record associated with Mr. Meza is Patrick W. Turner of BellSouth located at 1600 Williams Street, Columbia, South Carolina. Additionally, Mr. Meza has included an affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes, law and rules of the State of

South Carolina, that he is familiar with and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct, and that he will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Mr. Meza meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing in Docket No. 2005-276-C *pro hac vice* and that he should be so admitted.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. James Meza, III, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Louisiana, and through Motion of local counsel, James Meza, III has moved for his *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-276-C.

3. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.

4. Mr. Meza has associated South Carolina counsel.

5. The Motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

ORDER

The Motion of Patrick W. Turner, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission of James Meza, III, Esquire, to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-276-C is granted.


This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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